

“I believe in the United States of America as a Government of the people, by the people, for the people... I believe it is my duty to my country to love it, to support its Constitution, to obey its laws, to respect its flag, and to defend it against all enemies.”

- William Tyler Page, *The America's Creed*, 1918



“It’s best to keep America ... always in the background, a sort of picture postcard which you look at in a weak moment. Like that, you imagine it’s always there waiting for you, unchanged, unspoiled, a big patriotic open space... It doesn’t exist, America. It’s a name you give to an abstract idea.”

- Henry Miller, in the 1930s